(d) Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) has planned for setting up of a 44 TMTPA capacity LPG bottling plant near Raipur in Chhattisgarh, which is carried over from Ninth Plan.

International Energy Forum

2070. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Eighth International Energy Forum was held at Osaka in Japan in September, 2002;

(b) if so, the number of countries which participated; and

(c) what decisions were taken at the meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The conference was attended by the Oil and Gas Minister of 65 countries and sector related 11 international associations including Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), and International Energy Agency (IEA).

(c) The general consenus at the conference was that stable oil prices at sustainable levels are in the interest of both the oil producing and cunsuming countries. The oil exporting countries, both OPEC and non-OPEC, assured the conference that the oil producers will utilize their extra production capacity to ensure that there is no shortfall in terms of physical supply of oil in situations of disruptions.

Cancellation of allotment of petrol pumps/gas agencies

2071. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN(DURRU): Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of allotment of petrol pumps, kerosene and LP Gas dealerships in different States and Union Territories, made during 2000 onwards, cancelled under Prime Minister's order;

(b) the cases in which infrastructure was to be provided by the PSUs concerned and the investment actually made by them so far indicating the stage of development in each case; and